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Request for Ascertaining the Possible Availability of [REDACTED]

1. A review of the personnel situation in this branch as it relates to present commitments has identified an urgent need for an analyst with certain unique qualifications. This research capability is required to support a major portion of an NIE contribution which must be completed by the middle of August and to continue in this work for subsequent NIE's.
2. An examination of the pipeline indicated that no help was possible from this source. A survey of the likely ERA analysts, including those on detached duty, brought forth the name of [REDACTED] who is on loan to DDP from Services Division.

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- a) academic research pertaining to the organization of the Soviet military establishment;
- b) several years experience analyzing the Soviet economic organizational structure including a contribution to a predecessor of the project at issue;
- c) adequate background to perform financial analyses of Soviet military programs, plus unique experience with certain related source materials of considerable promise;
- d) familiarity with military operations by reason of service in the Air Force.

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In addition, [REDACTED] has several years experience with all source intelligence information, familiarity with the approach, problems and goals of this branch and adequate language capability.

4. It is requested that an inquiry be initiated to ascertain whether there is a possibility that [REDACTED] can be made available virtually immediately to directly assist in providing our consumers with the quality product which they deserve and to which they have become accustomed.

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